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SUBJECT: ALLIED FORCES HIRING PRACTICES IN FRG

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1. WITH REGARD TO NEGOTIATING PROPOSAL PARA 10 REF A,
DEPARTMENT AND DOD AGREE TO PRESENTATION TO FRG OF STATE-
MENT SUGGESTED PARA 10 (A) RPT 10 (A). DEPARTMENT AND
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DOD ALSO AGREE TO ORAL PRESENTATION (AND, IF NECESSARY,
IN A FORMALIZED DOCUMENT) OF THE MAIN POINTS MADE BY
CIPOLLA ON JANUARY 19 TO USAREUR HEAD WORKS COUNCIL ON US
FORCES HIRING POLICY. IT COULD BE POINTED OUT THAT THIS
POLICY ALSO APPLIES TO THE OTHER COMPONENTS OF THE US
FORCES IN THE FRG. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH EMBASSY SUGGES-
TION THAT WORDING OF POINT (2) SHOULD BE REVISED TO TAKE

ACCOUNT OF POLICY ON BOTH APPROPRIATED AND NON-APPROPRIATED POSITIONS.

2.FOR CINCEUR:WE WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN CURRENT BREAKDOWN, BY MAJOR COMPONENTS INCLUDING AAFES, OF NUMBERS OF APPROPRIATED AND NON-APPROPRIATED LN POSITIONS CURRENTLY HELD BY AMERICAN DEPENDENTS AND NON-DEPENDENT US NATIONALS IN THE FRG, AND, IF POSSIBLE, PROJECTIONS FOR BOTH TOTALS FOR FY 1979 AND FY-1980.

3. DOD HAS STRONG RESERVATIONS ABOUT COUPLING THE CIPOLLA STATEMENT WITH A FORMALIZED STATEMENT THAT "NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE STATUS QUO ARE CONTEMPLATED" UNLESS CINCEUR PROJECTIONS INDICATE THAT 11,000 FIGURE WILL NOT BE EXCEEDED THROUGH ATTRITION IN FY-1979. IN VIEW OF CONGRESSIONAL PRESSURES AND GAO RECOMMENDATIONS THAT A TOTAL OF 16,000 CLERICAL POSITIONS SHOULD BE RECLASSIFIED FOR U.S. DEPENDENTS, DOD BELIEVES THAT SUCH AN ASSURANCE WITHOUT SUPPORTING STATISTICAL DATA OR PROJECTIONS MIGHT BE WORSE THAN NO ASSURANCE EVEN IF USAREUR POSITION (REF A PARA 18) WERE POINTED OUT TO FRG IN THE COURSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. DOD IS ALSO CONCERNED THAT ANY NEW AGREEMENT TO LIMIT THE LEVEL OF U.S. CITIZEN EMPLOYMNT IN THE FRG MIGHT BE INTERPRETED AS IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 106 OF PUBLIC LAW 92-129 WHICH STATES THAT "UNLESS PROHIBITED BY TREATY, NO PERSON SHALL BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BY THE CONFIDENTIAL

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DOD OR BY ANY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE THEREOF, IN THE EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AT ANY FACILITY OR INSTALLATION OPERATED BY THE DOD IN ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY BECAUSE SUCH PERSON IS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OR IS A DEPENDENT OF A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES." (COPY POUCHED TO EMBASSY BONN - PFUND.)

4. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE EMBASSY MAY HAVE RESERVATIONS AS TO WHETHER A PACKAGE IN THIS FORM WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE FRG. WE THEREFORE REQUEST FURTHER COMMENT AND SUGGESTIONS FROM EMBASSY AND CINCEUR. VANCE

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